UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

FEB 0 3 2005

Examiner: Mark Halpern

Group Art Unit: 1731

Re:

Application of:

David SCHAIBLE

Serial No.:

10/010,907

Filed:

November 2, 2001

For:

PROCESS FOR PRODUCING

MICROCRYSTALLINE CELLULOSE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 February 1, 2005

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2004 for two (2) months from December 28, 2004 to February 28, 2005.

A check for \$450.00 is enclosed herewith, covering the two-month extension fee. If it is determined that any additional fees are due, or if any fees have been overpaid, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the deficiency or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

02/04/2005 YPOLITE1 00000024 10010907

01 FC:1252

450.00 OP

Respectfully submitted,

DAVIDSON, DAYIDSON & KAPPEL, LLC

ву

Cary S. Kappel Reg. No. 36,561

Davidson, Davidson & Kappel, LLC 485 Seventh Avenue, 14th Floor New York, N.Y. 10018 (212) 736-1940